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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SALE OF C-130'S

REF: CAIRO 4872

1. WE ARE PREPARED TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPTIAN TEAM ON ROLE OF C-130 AIRCRAFT AS EARLY AS MONDAY, APRIL 19, IF EGYPTIANS COULD ARRIVE HERE WEEKEND APRIL 17-18. WE ASSUME EGYPTIANS WILL EXPECT US TO MOVE RAPIDLY NOW THAT SALE HAS CLEARED CONGRESS, AND WE WISH TO DO SO. SUGGEST EMBASSY IMPRESS ON EGYPTIANS THAT DOD PREPARED TO START AS SOON AS EGYPTIANS CAN GET HERE.

2. IT WOULD SEEM MOST APPROPRIATE THAT TEAM REPORT TO EGYPTIAN EMBASSY AND THAT MEETING ARRANGEMENTS BE COORDINATED THROUGH GENERAL YOUSSEF, MILITARY ATTACHE, AT LEAST UNTIL TEAM ARRIVES HERE.

3. UPON RECEIPT OF ARRIVAL DATA TEAM WILL BE MET.

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4. EGYPTIAN TEAM MEMBERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR

OWN ACCOMMODATIONS. WOULD EXPECT EGYPTIAN EMBASSY TO MAKE APPROPRIATE RESERVATIONS BUT WE ARE ALSO PREPARED TO

ASSIST. AS IS ROUTINE PRACTICE, EGYPTIANS WOULD PAY FOR THEIR OWN ROOMS.

5. WHO AND WHERE TO TRAIN THE EGYPTIAN PILOTS ON THE C-130'S WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING NEGOTIATIONS. WE WILL TRY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO EGYPTIAN DESIRES ON ALL ASPECTS OF THIS MATTER. UNDERSTAND THERE ARE LEGAL CONSTRAINTS PROSCRIBING U.S. FROM PROVIDING TRAINING FREE OF CHARGE.

6. IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A DETAILED TOTAL PACKAGE LETTER OF OFFER FOR THE C-130 AIRCRAFT, DSAA ADVISES THAT THERE ARE NUMEROUS QUESTIONS WHICH MUST BE ANSWERED. IT IS SUGGESTED EMBASSY BRING THESE QUESTIONS TO ATTENTION OF EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE TEAM PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR U.S. SO THEY CAN BEGIN CONSIDERING THEIR ANSWERS. TYPICAL QUESTIONS FOR EXAMPLE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. OPERATIONAL CONCEPT

(1) NUMBER OF MAIN OPERATING BASES (MOB)

(2) NUMBER OF FORWARD OPERATING BASES (FOB)

(A) NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT TO BE SUPPORTED AT EACH FOB

(B) ESTIMATED TIME AIRCRAFT WILL BE SUPPORTED AT EACH FOB

B. MAINTENANCE CONCEPT

(1) WHERE WILL DEPOT LEVEL MAINTENANCE BE PERFORMED?

(A) WHAT FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE: COVERED/UNCOVERED; DOOR DIMENSIONS; SQUARE FOOTAGE OF WORK SPACE?

(2) WHERE WILL ORGANIZATIONAL AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL MAINTENANCE BE PERFORMED?

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(A) PROVIDE SAME DATA B (1) (A) ABOVE.

C. SUPPLY CONCEPT

(1) NUMBER OF YEARS INITIAL SPARES SHOULD COVER

(2) ANTICIPATED SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (IDENTIFY)

D. TRAINING CONCEPT

(1) NUMBER OF COMPLETE AIR CREWS TO BE UPGRADED TO C-130

QUALIFIED (PILOT, COPILOT, NAVIGATOR, ENGINEER, LOAD-MASTER).

(A) STUDENT BACKGROUND

(1) NAME

(2) FLIGHT EXPERIENCE (AIRCRAFT FLOWN, TOTAL HOURS, SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS).

(3) ENGLISH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY

(B) NUMBER/TYPE MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL TO BE UPGRADED TO C-130 QUALIFIED (ELECTRICIAN, HYDRALIC, SHEET METAL, ETC.)

(1) NAME

(2) PREVIOUS BACKGROUND AND QUALIFICATION (TYPE AIRCRAFT/SYSTEM)

(3) ENGLISH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY

(4) LIST OF MAINTENANCE SPECIALTIES USED BY EGYPT.

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